

- Carlo called meeting to order at 6:00PM.
- October's minutes approved.
- Mayor Brown gave updates:
 - Program Open Space
 - Frederick County takes 50% of funds, and gives 50% to municipalities
 - Better than most—most counties take 100% of funding leaving nothing for municipalities.
 - For this year only, the State expanded the grant for Frederick County by \$6M.
 - Frederick County kept the 50% rule, giving cities an extra \$3M.
 - Brunswick put in a request for \$600,000 and received \$545,000.
 - See Table 1 at the end of minutes for allocation and required matching.
 - Stipulation for funding: Any park renovated with POS money must be maintained for 20 years.
 - Expressed a desire to incorporate local history and nature into existing parks
 - Think of budget requests
 - Due March, but should be submitted by February
- Jessica Pewitt showed design drawings for the parks listed in Table 1.
 - Colors to be earth-tones to reduce fading effects of solar loading experienced with the brighter-colored equipment currently deployed.
 - All parks will be some variation on a theme.
 - Ground cover to be “wood carpet” as the cost of a rubberized ground cover was higher than budget allowed.
 - Chris Mourlas brought up the issue of handicapped parking at all the parks and, specifically, the need to add spaces for handicapped at parking at Kim Weddle Park where there is ample room to do so.
 - Due to supply chain issues, there could be a delay of up to a year to start the improvements; however, there should be no issue as long as quotes/Pos are approved and down/partial payments are made to contractors.
- Julie Martorana from the Economic Development Committee Introduced herself.
 - Coordinating the Small Area Plan committee for revitalizing the downtown area.
 - Told us about the Recreation Economy for Rural Communities program with which she is involved.

- Program is run through the Environmental Protection Agency
 - Only 10-15 communities per year are selected, and Brunswick was picked this year.
 - Gives access to an expert panel to help selected communities develop a plan to expand their recreational opportunities.
 - Gives grants toward plan execution.
- Motions to table passed:
 - Social media discussion
 - P&R Activities
 - Meeting adjourned at 7:00pm.

Table 1: FY22 POS Funding Allocation of Grant and Matching Funds for Improvements at City Parks

LPPI					
Grant	Original Request	New Request	Match	Total	Notes
Gum Springs Footbridge	\$20,000	\$20,000	\$0.00	\$20,000	No match.
Sports Complex Toilets	\$85,000	\$85,000	\$0.00	\$85,000	No match.
Kim Weddle Park Playground	\$150,000	**\$99,000	\$3,000	\$102,000	Voluntary match.
Wenner Park Playground	\$90,000	\$100,000	\$11,000	\$111,000	Voluntary match.
City Pool Playground	\$90,000	\$95,000	\$3,000	\$98,000	Voluntary match
City Park Playground	\$110,000	\$146,000	\$36,500	\$182,000	Mandatory 25% match.
TOTALS	\$545,000	\$545,000	\$53,500	\$598,500	
Regular					
Grant	Funding		Match	Total	Notes
City Park Playground	\$50,000		\$12,500	\$62,500	Mandatory 25% match.

**Reduction in cost due to contractor telling us \$150,000 was too much for what is planned.